

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: ADVANCED NETWORK COMMUNICATIONS, LLC	DOCKET NO. 199 IAC 39.2(4)
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ORDER DESIGNATING ELIGIBLE CARRIER

(Issued October 22, 2002)

On October 3, 2002, Advanced Network Communications, LLC (Advanced), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) an application for universal service eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) status in Iowa pursuant to 199 IAC 39.2(4). No objections have been filed regarding this application.

Board rule 39.2 provides a means by which the Board can designate Iowa telecommunications companies to be eligible to receive funding from the universal service fund, as defined by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. § 254. Under the Act (and Federal Communications Commission regulations implementing the Act), the Board must determine that a carrier meets the following service requirements before it may be designated an eligible carrier, as set forth in subrule 39.2(4):

- 1) Offer the services supported by the federal universal service fund;

2) Offer the service using its own facilities or a combination of its own facilities and resale (47 C.F.R. § 54.201(c) provides that "own facilities" include purchased unbundled network elements);

3) Advertise the availability of the supported services; and,

4) Offer the services throughout the designated service area.

In its request for designation, Advanced states that it satisfies each of these named requirements. Based on that representation, the Board finds that Advanced offers the services supported by the federal universal service fund, using its own facilities or a combination of its own facilities and resale. The Board also finds that Advanced advertises and offers the services throughout its designated service area.

The Board notes that pursuant to a recent federal mandate, Advanced is required to file a certification regarding its use of universal service funds with the Board. This filing will be made pursuant to the Board's recently adopted subrule 199 IAC 22.2(7), as described in Docket No. RMU-01-14.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. Eligible telecommunications carrier status is granted to Advanced Network Communications, LLC, as requested on October 3, 2002. The designated service area shall be Advanced Network Communications, LLC's service territory as established in its certificate of public convenience and necessity.

2. The Executive Secretary of the Utilities Board shall mail copies of this order to Advanced Network Communications, LLC, the Universal Service

Administration Company, the Federal Communications Commission Universal Service Branch, and the Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 22nd day of October, 2002.